

## Message Text

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TO SECSTATE WASHDC IMMEDIATE 5881

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SUBJ: NEW CHANCERY SITE

REF: ACCRA 7022

1. FOLLOWING IS TEXT FIRST-PERSON NOTE FROM COMMISSIONER FOR  
FOREIGN AFFAIRS BAAH TO AMBASSADOR DATED 19 DECEMBER 1974:

BEGIN TEXT:

YOUR EXCELLENCY,

I WRITE TO ACKNOWLEDGE, WITH THANKS, THE RECEIPT OF YOUR  
EXCELLENCY'S LETTER DATED 10TH DECEMBER, 1974, UNDER COVER  
OF WHICH YOU FORWARDED A COPY OF A NOTE REGARDING THE NEED  
TO ALLOCATE TWO PLOTS OF LAND ALREADY INSPECTED BY OFFICIALS  
OF YOUR EMBASSY AND THE GHANA GOVERNMENT AT THE NORTH RIDGE  
AREA AND FOUND SUITABLE FOR THE SITING OF THE NEW CHANCERY  
OF THE UNITED STATES EMBASSY IN ACCRA.

I LEARN THAT ALL CONCERNED ARE AGREED IN PRINCIPLE ON THE  
RELEASE OF THE TWO PLOTS TO YOUR EMBASSY FOR ITS NEW CHANCERY.  
HOWEVER, THIS MUST HAVE THE FINAL APPROVAL OF THE NATIONAL  
REDEMPTION COUNCIL.

THE NOTE EMPHASIZES THAT A DECISION IS NECESSARY WITHIN TEN  
DAYS, THAT IS, BY 20TH DECEMBER, 1974, TO ENABLE THE STATE  
DEPARTMENT MAKE ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE PROVISION OF FUNDS FOR  
THE DESIGNING AND CONSTRUCTION OF THE BUILDING. WHILST I AM  
UNABLE TO CONVEY IMMEDIATE APPROVAL FOR THE RELEASE OF THE TWO  
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PLOTS TO YOUR EMBASSY, I WISH TO ASSURE YOUR EXCELLENCY THAT THERE

WILL BE NOT PROBLEM WITH THE ALLOCATION OF THE PIECE OF LAND TO THE EMBASSY. SO YOU MAY, FOR THE TIME BEING, ACCEPT MY ASSURANCE THAT THE TWO PLOTS WILL BE ALLOCATED TO YOUR EMBASSY PENDING THE EXCHANGE OF FORMAL NOTES.

ACCEPT, EXCELLENCY, THE ASSURANCES OF MY HIGHESE CONSIDERATION. SIGNED LT.COL. KWAME BAAH. END TEXT.

2. WILE NOTE ASSURES EMBASSY OF ALLOCATION OF PLOTS AND DOES NOT ADDRESS OTHER POINTS (COMPENSATION, ADJUSTMENT OF DIFFERENCE IN LAND VALUES, USE OF PRESENT CHANCERY, ETC.), WE ARE ASSURED THAT THESE ARE PART OF PACKAGE.

3. POL COUNSELOR TO SEE SOWA DECEMBER 20 AND WILL REPORT ANY SIGNIFICANT INFORMATION DEVELOPED.  
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